

TARDIEU CHEERED AT WAR LUNCHEON

French Institute Celebrates
Anniversary of U. S. En-
try Into Conflict.

ALLIES ARE NOW UNITED

America Has Given Herself
Completely to Cause, Com-
missioner Says.

A memorable celebration of the first anniversary of America's entrance into the war was the luncheon given at the Ritz-Carlton yesterday to the French High Commissioner, Andre Tardieu, who was sent here by his Government to co-ordinate the efforts of the United States and France in their task of beating Germany.

The luncheon was given by the French Institute in the United States, established here to give Americans a more comprehensive understanding of French art, science and literature, with the ultimate object of cementing the spirit of friendship between the two nations. If the enthusiasm shown by the 500 representative Americans who attended the luncheon can be regarded as a reflection of the sentiment throughout the country, however, the institute will find it difficult to draw tighter the bond of sympathy and love already existing between the two peoples.

Escort for Tardieu.

Commissioner Tardieu was escorted from his headquarters in the Hotel Plaza to the Ritz-Carlton by a detail of mounted police and by a provisional company made up of members of the Seventh Regiment in command of Capt. Leslie Oliver. With M. Tardieu was Capt. McDougall Hawkes. At the Ritz-Carlton the Commissioner passed through a lane formed by French sailors, who stood at salute. Long before he arrived every available seat in the big banquet hall was occupied and 2,000 persons had been turned away for lack of accommodation.

At the speakers' table M. Tardieu sat between Gov. Whitman and Myron T. Herrick, former Ambassador to France, who presided. In introducing M. Tardieu, Mr. Herrick said that he sometimes felt like apologizing to his English and French friends because America had only entered the war a year ago. "America," he said, "is not a cowardly nation, but it has come dangerously near being put in a cowardly position. Thank God that those days of drifting and humiliation are now past and that the President, by his incomparable message of last April, has cleared the atmosphere. We can now walk with our heads up along the path of honor."

"The emissaries who have come to us from our allies have been singularly welcome guests and to this company we welcome M. Tardieu with greetings made the warmer because he has been among us long enough for us to learn his admirable qualities. He is one of the intellectual and industrial leaders of his country and represents the new spirit of France. He upsets ministries when he wants to and his opinion is

usually right. He is a fitting representative of the French people; we can give him no higher praise than that." The applause which greeted M. Tardieu lasted for several minutes and when it had died away an orchestra in the gallery struck up the "Marseillaise." The Commissioner spoke in French, conveying to the American people the gratitude which his countrymen felt for the part which the American troops are taking in the battle of Picardy. "Knewer than ever, during the past fortnight, during these bloody days," he said, "I have felt that whenever America chooses to give herself to a cause she gives the whole of herself. I am grateful for, and I have been moved by, the acceptance of the urgent requests which, on account of this battle, it was my duty to submit to your Government."

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"At the same time, between the Allies, confronted by the same peril, a complete solidarity has asserted itself. A single head, Gen. Poch, on whose staff I served during the battles of the Marne and Ypres, has taken command of the allied forces. A single method, the immediate use of all the available forces, has been adopted, not only as regards the French and British, but as regards the American army as well. "Therefore, on this memorial day, in the name of France who has been ahead of you in this holy struggle but to whom you are now bringing the huge and decisive help of your material and moral strength, I have come to state again our unshaken resolve. "This crisis is a terrible one, and we are not over it as yet. We have broken the powerful onslaught of the enemy. We must drive back the foe. It will be a matter of months. It will be your own concern as well as our own. Speed up."

"Before next summer 1,000,000 trained men will be thrown by you in the scales and Germany will experience the weight of your clenched fist. You will fight and you will suffer. We are proud to share with you the same sorrows and the same hopes. "In this very hour on the fighting line your own soldiers are mixed with ours. Your motives, like our own, are summed up in these three words: Liberty, justice, democracy."

Honor to Fight, Whitman Says.

Gov. Whitman assured the French Commissioner that the people of New York State considered it an honor to be allowed to send their sons over to fight for France and England.

Sir Henry Babington Smith, Minister Plenipotentiary and assistant Commissioner for Great Britain, attended the luncheon as the representative of Lord Reading, the British High Commissioner. He read a message of good will from the latter to the American people. Charles Beatty Alexander, a member of the Board of Regents of New York University, extended the courtesies of the university to M. Tardieu, and Abram I. Elkus, former Ambassador to Turkey and a member of the charter committee of the Board of Regents, presented a charter to the French Institute.

The Reception Committee.

The reception committee consisted of Mrs. Charles S. Whitman, Mrs. Myron T. Herrick, Mrs. Robert Bacon, Mrs. McDougall Hawkes, Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, Mrs. William H. Crocker, Mrs. James W. Gerard, Miss Lucette A. Leland, Mrs. M. Orme Wilson, Mrs. William Bayard Cutting, Mrs. Ogden Goelet, Mrs. E. H. Harriman, Miss Madeline Liebert, daughter of the French Consul-General in New York City; Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Henry Mottet and Mrs. Ladenburg. Among the guests at the luncheon were Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey M. Depew.

Mrs. Reginald Barclay, George W. Wickersham, William C. Reick, the Baron de Noailles, Mrs. John H. Flagler, Judge Francis K. Pendleton, ex-Minister Peter T. Barlow, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. C. Smith, Rear Admiral Albert Gleaves, Mrs. Benjamin Thaw, Adjutant-General Charles Sherrell and Mrs. Sherrell, Mrs. Philip M. Lydig, Cass Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus McCormick of Chicago, Mrs. Abram I. Elkus, John J. Agar, the Countess de Laugier Villars, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas F. Brady, Mrs. William S. Sloan, Miss Lucille Thornton, Miss Marie La Montagne, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hughes Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Karriek Rigger, the Count Philippe de Triatan of the French High Commission, Mrs. Vernon C. Brown, Reginald H. Ward, William Coffin, Capt. Francesco M. Guardasanti of the Italian Army, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown Potter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Hoffman, Mrs. Charles H. Marshall, Mrs. William Adams Delano, Mr. and Mrs. Otto H. Kahn, Mrs. William R. Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Fairchild.

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Special Despatch to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Belmont Park has been selected as the New York landing place for the new aerial service between Washington and New York. This service, according to announcement to-day by the Post Office Department, will start not later than May 15, possibly much sooner. The generosity of the Westchester Racing Association is responsible for the selecting of Belmont Park. High rental was asked of all the other locations under consideration in New York City, but the Racing Association, in a spirit of patriotism, offered its property free of charge. Construction of hangars at Belmont Park will begin at once. Potomac Park in Washington and Bustleton, North Philadelphia, are the other landing places selected.

Not only will the new service shorten the delivery of mail between Washington, Philadelphia and New York by many hours, but by making quicker rail connections its effect will be felt throughout a wide area. The schedules worked out called for the mail planes to leave New York at 12 noon, reach Philadelphia at 1:30 and Washington at 3:30. Mail thus despatched will make earlier trains than the existing schedule for Camden, Atlantic City, Hagerstown, Wilmington, Cape May and other cities by the connection made at Philadelphia. The same aeroplane will reach here in time to catch a 4 P. M. train for Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis and a 4:15 P. M. train for the South. Eight hours or more time will be saved over existing schedules.

The northbound mail plane will leave here at noon, arriving at New York at 3:30, in time for the afternoon city delivery over the entire area of New York City. To make this delivery now letters have to be mailed before 9 A. M. The northbound mail plane will make earlier connection for Boston and New England points, Albany and Buffalo. The aerial letter rate will be 24 cents an ounce.

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A Sale of Reproductions of Sheffield Silver Plated Tableware

MONDAY and TUESDAY, on the Main Floor:

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Double Vegetable Dishes, \$8.75	Bread and Butter Plates, 6 inches, \$1.10 7 inches \$1.35

Chop Plates	Round Serving Trays	Meat Platters
11 inches, \$4.25	11 inches, \$4.25	15 inches, \$7.95
13 inches, \$5.65	13 inches, \$5.75	17 inches, \$9.85
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